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WRONG WAY DRIVER - DUI COLLISION

On Sunday, November 16, 2008, at about 7:30 p.m., the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) received several calls regarding a wrong way driver. The vehicle was traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of U.S. 93.

Officers from DPS, along with officers from the Mohave County Sheriff's Office, located a red dune buggy at milepost 49, U.S. 93, traveling north in the southbound lanes approximately 25 miles from Kingman, Arizona. An officer with DPS attempted to stop the dune buggy which subsequently struck the officer's vehicle. The officer was not injured.

The dune buggy continued traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of U.S. 93 for approximately two more miles before colliding head on with a Dodge truck. The Dodge truck was driven by Carlos Armijo, 22, of Tucson, Arizona, and was occupied by three other passengers from Tucson. None of the occupants of the Dodge truck were injured during the collision.

The driver of the dune buggy was identified as Jerry Reed, age 68, of Golden Valley, Arizona. Reed was determined to be impaired by alcohol. He was transported to a hospital in Kingman for injuries sustained in the collision. Criminal charges are pending upon further investigation of this incident.